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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE DECISION OF THE EXAMINER  
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In compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.191, Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated May 5, 2004, of the Examiner rejecting claims 1-10, 12-22 and 25-28 of the above-identified patent application.

A request for an extension of time to respond to the Examiner's rejection is submitted herewith along with payment of the required extension fee.

Our check in the amount of \$340.00 is enclosed to pay the Notice of Appeal fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(b). Please charge any required additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

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